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Contract

Liaison and Support Services

RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Liaison and Support Services

Reference number

RWM522

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 63730000 - Support services for air transport

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

SKB International AB, the wholly owned subsidiary of SKB, is entrusted with the mission of providing international services based on SKB's programme. SKB's programme

involves the development of geological disposal in Sweden.

SKB's programme is more advanced in comparison to RWM's and therefore they hold unique information and lessons learned which RWM would not be able to obtain from another source. Other waste management organisations are slightly further ahead in their programmes however SKB's is the most similar as theirs is based on community consent, much like the UKs. SKB therefore hold vital and valuable community engagement expertise, information, data and sharing of knowledge. Other waste management organisations have chosen consent based approaches however they are not as far advanced as SKB and therefore hold less valuable information, or they are further afield - such as NWMO - and therefore SKB is more appropriate for value for money for visits - one of the key areas within this contract.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £327,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Minor tasks by SKB experts for the UK programme (in the range of

Identification of information and source material available to RWM through existing licence agreements.

Arrangements and attendance of visits of RWM key staff to SKB facilities (foreseen to be approximately 5-6 visits/year).

Preparation of agendas, travel details and arrangements with SKB experts.

Meetings with RWM staff to discuss and update on SKB programmes, experiences and lessons learned.

Involvement of SKB staff in RWM meetings and work preparation.

Access to SKB data and information through existing licence agreements.

Identification and liaison with SKB experts and staff for involvement with RWM.

Keeping up to date with RWM developments to keep SKB informed of the context for cooperation.

Attendance to quarterly follow-up and annual planning meetings with the RWM liaison officer, in Sweden or the UK as necessary.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: - / Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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The international story for geological disposal is an essential one for building public and local community trust. A more collaborative relationship with more co-operation on events and communications will benefit potential communities and RWM.

International visits, as mentioned above, are also of huge importance for RWM staff to witness existing facilities first-hand and improve their knowledge. RWM's engagement with UK media and key external stakeholders is similarly essential and the offer of a tour of underground facilities which already exist is a huge pull to attract interest and positive engagement, plus it further helps the international consensus narrative.

Similarly, technical contracts exist between RWM and SKB, further highlighting and demonstrating the unique expertise and knowledge SKB can bring to Radioactive Waste Management.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

RWM522

Title

Liaison and Support Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 July 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

SKB

, 169 03 Solna, Sweden, and visiting address Evenemangsgatan 13/13C,

Solna

3035

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £327,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £327,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Use of the negotiated procedure without prior publication

Regulation 32 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand, London

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom